

My name is John Gaines and I am employed by Interactive Teleservices Corporation in Columbus, OH. I've been employed in the telemarketing industry for 17 years and I'm proud of the professional career I've had. I make a very good living that has provided my family with the benefits all Americans strive for. My family and the families of the hundreds of thousands of people employed by this industry are now in jeopardy. After 17 years in this business at age 54, I find myself, as do others, facing the loss of the livelihood that I've worked so hard to create. The FCC does not need to add to the already heavily regulated telemarketing industry. It needs to enforce the rules that exist now. The FTC needs to aggressively go after the companies that abuse the existing rules and permit companies that comply with the law to continue to provide services that many Americans use and need. The vast majority of companies and people employed by this industry are honest and hard working. We are not scam artists preying on the weaknesses of unsuspecting people. Go after those that violate existing law. Please don't waste taxpayer's money to create another layer of regulation that those bent on ignoring the law will ignore anyway.